

Wilson And The War

We have been amused at some of our local politicians who are over zealous over President Wilson's prospects for re-election to the Presidency, of course we do not blame them for putting up the argument that they do, for it is the only thing that they can boast about and that is this, that "Wilson has kept us out of war." Is this true? Let us see, in the first place, who has the power to declare war? Can the President of these United States do it? We think not. It appears to us, that we have read somewhere in the Constitution that Congress only can do this. Has he kept us out of war, if so how has he done it? He has played the part of a quitter. He has made certain demands that sounded like it meant business, and if they had been carried into effect it would have meant something, but they were not.

We do not want to criticize any man who has been elected to the high and exalted office of Pres. of this great Nation of ours, but he is yet after all, just human. The demand made of Huerta to salute the flag of our nation for an insult was no more than some school boy making a demand of a larger boy, there was no attention paid to it, and this same Huerta died without even taking off his hat to our flag, or saying a word in the way of an apology for the wrong done to our Sailors, he did not even put one drop of balm on the wound.

We do not believe that any man should be honored for being a coward. We do not believe that any coward is entitled to anything for being a coward, they should be pitied, but pity is not to be considered when it comes to doing business for a hundred million people. These same fellows claim that times are better now than at any time in the past, but is this true? No, if it had not been that the whole European country was not in war we would today have soup houses all over this land with no soup to distribute. At the very outset he got his business in a jam, and it became necessary to collect direct taxes, so he set about to do this and at the same time cover up all his acts, by calling deficit stamp a war stamp and we at the same time at peace with all mankind. He kept us out of war eh? and while doing so collecting a war tax on everything, even our voices have to be stamped before we are allowed to talk over a telephone.

President Wilson has not kept us out of war, he should not go before the people with such campaign rot as this, any school boy who has read the constitution of the United States knows better, the President of the United States cannot declare war, neither can he treat for peace. This country has never been in danger of war with any foreign Nation. Hungry men don't shoot the cook, at least just before breakfast, and the European Nations realize that a break with this country meant an embargo on food stuffs, and that above everything on earth they could not have sustained while in war at home. Twice President Wilson has practically gone to war

with our nearest neighbor, the Mexicans and both times he has had to take backwater, cowardly enough to make all true Americans ashamed. He has done everything his theoretical mind could conceive to embroil us in the war with the Fatherland, and if he does not get his nervous digits working in the affairs with Japan and China, we will be the worst surprised editorial scribbler that ever took up a pencil. We have watched his course with a great deal of solicitude ever since he jumped into the Presidential chair and he has been floundering and jumping ever since.

He advocated a one term as President, he has jumped that. He was in favor of Garrison's Continental army plan; but he fired Garrison, and jumped that. He opposed increasing our Navy; now he demands the largest Navy in the world so he jumped that. He opposed young men trained for the military service; now he demands that 400,000 of them be trained; so he has jumped that. He first opposed and then favored a tariff Commission; so he jumped that. He opposed intervention in Mexico, and sent an army to intervene; so he jumped that. He favored free Panama Canal tolls; then he forced the Democratic majority to repeal the free tolls law; so he jumped that. He favored knocking Willyum Jenkins Bryan into a three-cornered "cocked hat" and then made the peerless Willyum Secretary of State; so he jumped that. He was outspoken against all labor unions; then he tried to join in with them; so he jumped at that. He opposed the referendum and initiative, then he advocated it and then he forgot what he did about it; so he jumped that. He favored free trade; then he put a tariff on sugar; so he jumped that. He favored women suffrage in New Jersey and opposed it in Washington, so he jumped that. He opposed preparedness last year, and favors it this year; so he jumped that. So he has been on the continual jump ever since he jumped as a minority candidate into the Presidential chair; and we are not sure, in fact no one can imagine where he will jump next, except the hand writing on the wall, now looks as though he will have one more jump at least and that will be in November when he will jump out of the Presidential chair never to return to it. So you cannot expect us not to jump at some of the things that he has done in his whole-sale jumping.

What Have You To Say

We put the question right up to you Mr. Citizen and tax payer. What do you say about the way the pike should be built to the Bell County line? We give you below the figures that have been given us by the chief Engineer, as follows:

Length of road from Barbourville to Lee Cole's via. Artemus is 7.5 miles; by the Fighting Creek route it is 8.2 miles.

The cost to grade the Artemus route, to Artemus is \$5100.00, a distance of three miles, the cost of grading from Barbourville to the Yeager school house a distance of 3 1/4 miles is \$3700.00.

The total cost from Barbourville, by the Fighting Creek route including metal and bridges all complete to Lee Coles, is \$23,092.00, by the Artemus route, to Lee Cole's is \$17,758.00, this is for the work complete. Over the Fighting Creek route we have the depth under high water when at its greatest is 5 feet; over the Artemus route, it is 10 feet at its deepest.

Over the Artemus route there is 5200 feet of the road that is overflowed by the high tides over the Fighting Creek route, there is 2700 feet overflowed by water at high tide. Study these figures and say what you would do if you were one of the members of the Fiscal Court of Knox County.

Ask yourself another question. Suppose that the bridge across Cumberland River near Flat Lick costs \$17,500.00, and there is no one to accommodate by this expenditure, except Judge Asher of Bell County, his brother-in-law and his sons wife, and her brother-in-law by building this bridge, when the road can be and will be built on this side of the river, completed for the said sum of \$17,500.00, and beside saving the cost that it would take to build the road beside the bridge, and accommodate some seventy to one hundred citizens and taxpayers who worked and voted for the pike when the question was before the people. What would you do? What will the Fiscal Court do? We hope that our contentions will hold good that our Fiscal Court will show to the world that they are men of brain and will power, and that they will not make the mistake that some others have made, that they will build the main trunk line from the Bell County line to Corbin, and that they will do it right now. The whole Country has its eyes on our Fiscal Court, if they do not act at once we lose the Dixie Highway, Whitley County Kentucky and Campbell County Tennessee are doing their best to beat us to it, will we let them do it? We hope not, and it is our proudest hope that when the Fiscal Court meets here next Saturday, that they will settle these routes, contract them and let the work begin on the entire line.

Well! Well! Well!

We was most sure that we would have no stir in the race for Congress, but lo and behold here comes, one J. B. McKeehan, of Williamsburg, who has come to lead us from darkness unto light, and to bring us unto ourselves by voting for him against Caleb Powers. We do not know anything about the strength of Mr. McKeehan, but we do know something about the strength of Mr. Powers, and we do not believe that there is a man anywhere who could come in gun shot of Powers. We have made a general survey of all the District to find a man that could even trouble Powers, and after the whole summing up of the matter we find that there is none among us that will go out against this Political Giant.

Powers is stronger today than he ever was hertofore. The Democrats in this District, and even in the whole State would be glad to get Powers out of the way, they want him out of the Eleventh district all together, they showed this by their actions in the last Legislature when they tried to jerrymander him out of the Eleventh into the Tenth District.

Every move made against Powers makes him stronger, every knock is a boost—Oh heck what's the use.

Filed Declaration.

Judge Sampson filed with the Secretary of State Thursday June 15th, his declaration and petition to have his name placed upon the Ballots at the Primary to be held August 5th. The Judge is a very busy man, and will be on the continuous go until the election is over.

Detectives Wanted.

The undersigned Agency will consider applications for membership from certain localities in Kentucky. We look after Criminals, collect names and addresses of farmers, &c. Collect debts and furnish commercial reports to business concerns. We pay salary and fees. For full particulars write. Va. and Tenn. Detective Agency, Incorporated Mahoney building Bristol, Tenn. Virginia.



MR. E. E. HAMMONS.

Mr. Hammons is the son of Judge Thomas G. Hammons, he is a tiptop telegrapher, he is offered a position with Uncle Sam in the signal Corps of the United States Army, and will no doubt accept the place and leave for active service within the next few days.

If he should accept we wish him all the good luck, and hope that he will prove himself worthy of the confidence reposed in him.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

For Congress of the 11th Congressional District

We are authorized to announce CALEB POWERS Barbourville, Ky., as a candidate for the Republican nomination for Congress of the 11th Congressional District subject to the action of the voters in Primary Election to be held August 5, 1916.

For Judge of the Court of Appeals, 7th District

We are authorized to announce FLEM D. SAMPSON Barbourville, Ky., as a candidate for the Republican nomination for Judge of the Court of Appeals of the 7th Appellate District of Kentucky, subject to the action of the voters in Primary Election to be held August 5, 1916.

For Superintendent of Schools.

We are authorized to announce E. B. HEMPHILL of Barbourville, as a candidate for the office of Superintendent of Schools of Knox County, subject to the action of the Republican Primary August 2nd, 1917.

For Jailer.

We are authorized to announce E. J. WYRICK, of Barbourville, Ky., as a candidate for the office of Jailer of Knox County, subject to the action of the Republican Primary, to be held August 2, 1917.

We are authorized to announce CHARLES H. BOTNER of Grays

as a candidate for the office of Jailer of Knox County, subject to the action of the Republican Primary, August 2nd, 1917.

For Congress.

T. B. McKeehan announces his candidacy for Congress, from this the 11th District of Kentucky subject to the action of the Republican party at the Primary to be held Aug. 5th, 1916. He full announcement will appear next week.

Will Be a Candidate

I have been asked by many friends to enter the race for the office of County Court Clerk, and have given the matter proper consideration and have come to the conclusion that I will offer myself as a candidate for that office subject to the action of the Republican Primary to be held August 4th, 1917.

This is quite a long way off, but I thought that I might say that I will at the proper time enter the race, and will make an active campaign when the time is right for a field campaign. Respt. Yours, W. H. McDonald.

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